

Amendment and Response

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REMARKS

This is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action mailed March 5, 2009. In that Office Action, claims 12 and 13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Claims 1-7, 9, 10, and 15-21 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 as being directed toward non-statutory subject matter. The Examiner's indication that claims 24 and 25 have been allowed is noted with appreciation.

With this Response, claims 1, 9, 12, 13, and 15 have been amended. Claims 1-7, 9, 10, 12, 13, 15-21, 24, and 25 are pending in the application and are presented for consideration and allowance.

35 U.S.C. §112, Second Paragraph, Rejections

Claims 12 and 13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite, because they were dependent on canceled claim 11. Claims 12 and 13 have been amended herein to be dependent on independent claim 9. In view of the above, withdrawal of the rejection of claims 12 and 13 under 35 U.S.C. §112 is respectfully requested.

35 U.S.C. §101 Rejections

Claims 1-7, 9, 10, and 15-21 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 as being directed toward non-statutory subject matter. Independent claims 1, 9, and 15 have been amended herein to recite "with a transcoder". In view of the above, withdrawal of the rejection of independent claims 1, 9, and 15 under 35 U.S.C. §101 is respectfully requested. Dependent claims 2-7, 10, and 16-21 further define one of claims 1, 9, and 15, and are also believed to be directed to statutory subject matter. Withdrawal of the rejection of dependent claims 2-7, 10, and 16-21 under 35 U.S.C. §101 is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above, Applicant respectfully submits that pending claims 1-7, 9, 10, 12, 13, 15-21, 24, and 25 are in form for allowance and are not taught or suggested by the cited references. Therefore, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections and allowance of claims 1-7, 9, 10, 12, 13, 15-21, 24, and 25 is respectfully requested.

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No fees are required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16(h)(i). However, if such fees are required, the Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 08-2025.

The Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant's representative at the below-listed telephone numbers to facilitate prosecution of this application.

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